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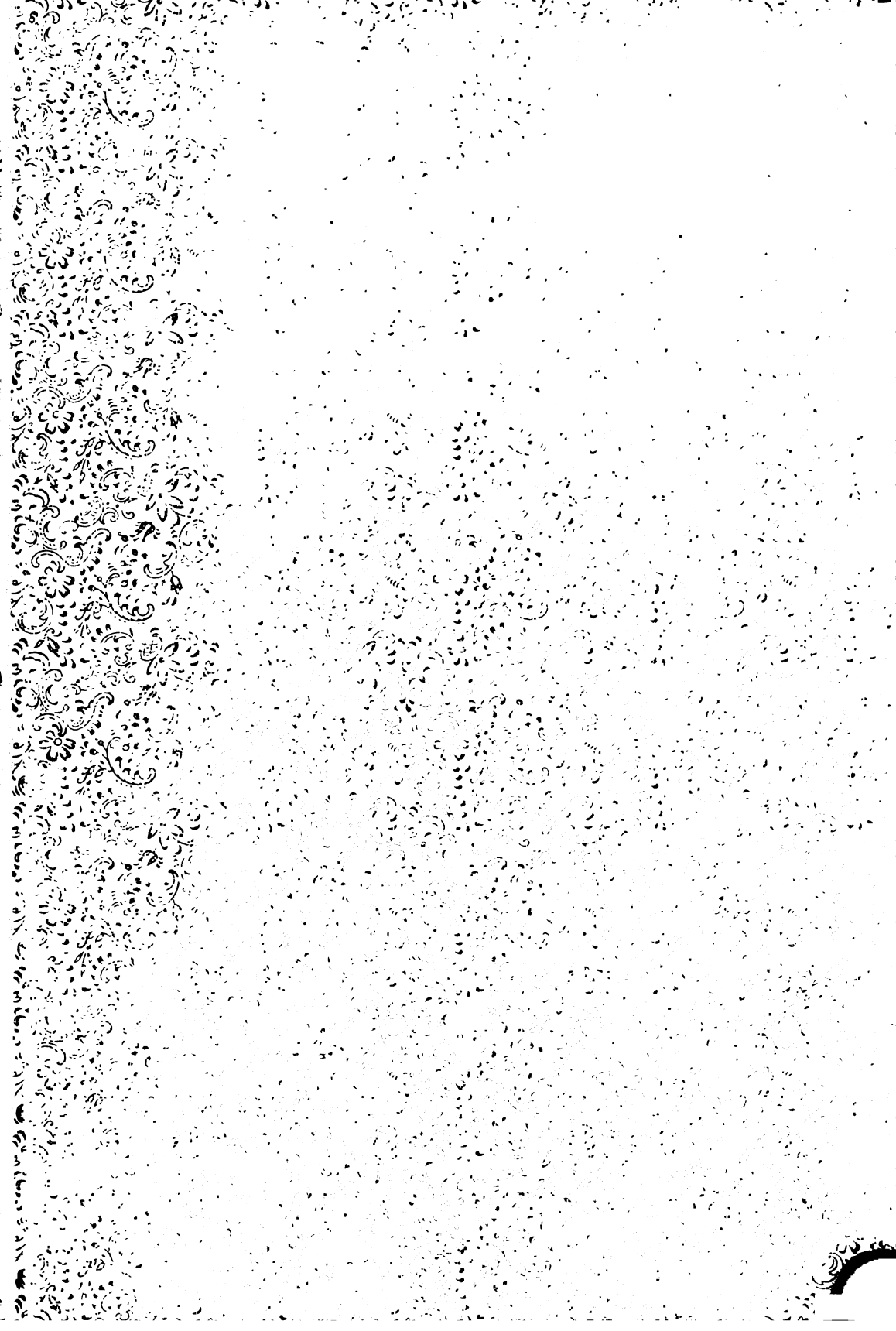
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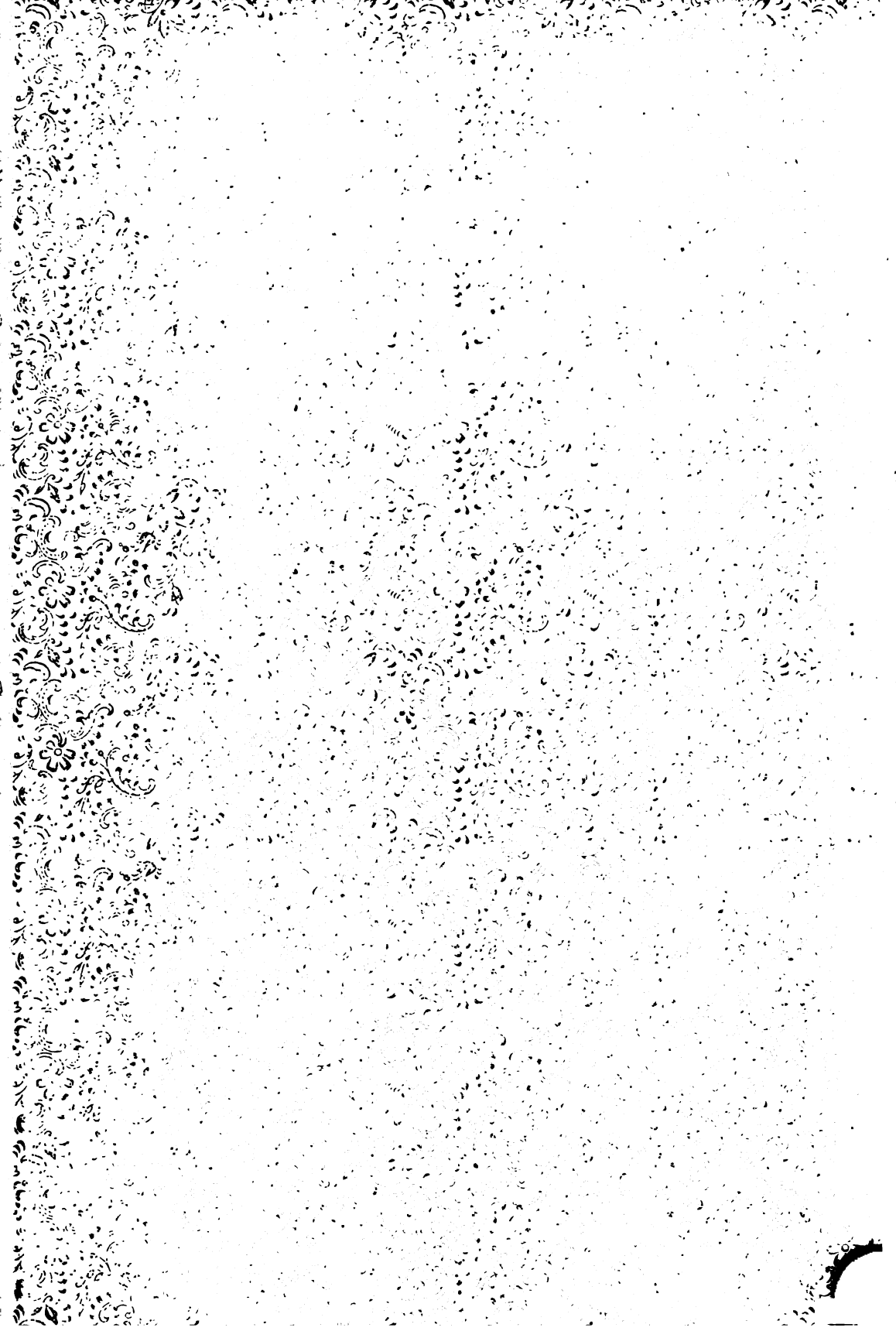




















BUSHNELL PARK—STATE CAPITOL AND CORNING FOUNTAIN.

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Park Commissioners

OF THE

CITY OF HARTFORD,

For the Year

Ending April 30, 1907.

HARTFORD:
THE CITY PRINTING CO., 734 MAIN STREET
1907

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

1906-1907.

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HON. WILLIAM F. HENNEY, (Mayor) *ex-officio*

FRANCIS GOODWIN,

Until May 1, 1910.

WILLIAM DELOSS LOVE,

Until April 16, 1909.

CHARLES E. GROSS,

Until May 1, 1913.

LUCIUS F. ROBINSON.

Until May 1, 1912.

WILLIS I. TWITCHELL.

Until May 1, 1911.

GEORGE A. FAIRFIELD,

Until April 17, 1908.

LEWIS C. GROVER,

Until May 1, 1914.

PHILANDER C. ROYCE,

Until May 1, 1915.

FRANK A. HAGARTY.

Until May 11, 1916.

WILLIAM A. MOORE.

Until April 30, 1907.

OFFICERS.

UNTIL MAY 1, 1907.

President, PROF. HENRY FERGUSON,

May 1st, to Oct. 1st, 1906.

President, LEWIS C. GROVER,

Oct. 1st, to May 1st, 1907.

Vice-President, LEWIS C. GROVER,

May 1st, to Oct. 1st, 1906.

Vice-President, PHILANDER C. ROYCE,

Oct. 1st, to May 1st, 1907.

Secretary, FRANKLIN G. WHITMORE,

Superintendent of Parks,

GEORGE A. PARKER.

1875

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Ancient Cemetery, Commissioner GROSS, until May 1st, 1907.

Barnard Park, Commissioner GROVER, until May 1st, 1907.

Bushnell Park, (West of Trinity Street), Commissioner GROSS, until May 1st, 1907.

Bushnell Park, (East of Trinity Street), Commissioner LOVE, until May 1st, 1907.

Campfield Green, Commissioner FAIRFIELD, until May 1st, 1907.

Colt Park, Commissioner GROVER, until May 1st, 1907.

Elizabeth Park, Commissioner ROBINSON, until May 1st, 1907.

Franklin Green, Commissioner GROVER, until May 1st, 1907.

Goodwin Park, Commissioner FAIRFIELD, until May 1st, 1907.

Lafayette Green, Commissioner HAGARTY, until May 1st, 1907.

Pope Park, Commissioner TWITCHELL, until May 1st, 1907.

Riverside Park, Commissioner ROYCE, until May 1st, 1907.

Rocky Ridge Park, Commissioner HAGARTY, until May 1st, 1907.

Sigourney Park, Tunnel Green and Village Street Green, Commissioner LOVE, until May 1st, 1907.

Washington Street Triangle, Commissioner FAIRFIELD, until May 1st, 1907.

Finance Committee, Commissioners GROVER, ROYCE and ROBINSON.

Employment Committee, Commissioners TWITCHELL, FAIRFIELD and HAGARTY.

Amusement and Recreation Grounds Committee, Commissioners TWITCHELL, ROYCE and GROVER.

(For officers elected May 1st, 1907, see Appendix.)

REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS,
CITY OF HARTFORD,
May 1st, 1907.

To the Honorable Court of Common Council:

GENTLEMEN:

THE Board of Park Commissioners respectfully presents its Forty-seventh Annual Report for the year ending April 30th, 1907. The Superintendent's Report to this Department is printed in the pages of this Report and gives in detail the work done in the Parks and Park Squares which come under the jurisdiction of this Board. The financial statement for the year is also outlined in detail showing the receipts and disbursements and the balance on hand in the different funds to the credit of this Commission.

At the annual meeting which was held May 7th, 1906, Mr. Herbert Knox Smith by letter tendered his resignation as Commissioner; his duties elsewhere preventing his remaining a member of this Board and Mr. Frank A. Hagarty was unanimously chosen a Commissioner for the term of ten (10) years. Mr. Hagarty's appointment was approved by your Honorable Body. Professor Henry Ferguson was elected President of the Board for the ensuing year, Mr. Lewis C. Grover, Vice-President, and Franklin G. Whitmore, Secretary. In October Professor Ferguson tendered his resignation as President of the Board and also as a member of the Commission. His enforced absence from Hartford for some years compelled him to take

this action. His resignation was with great regret accepted and Mr. Lewis C. Grover was elected his successor, as President, and Mr. Philander C. Royce was elected Vice-President. Mr. William A. Moore was chosen a Commissioner to succeed Professor Ferguson until April 30th, 1907, and his appointment was duly approved.

During the year public Golf Links have been established at Goodwin Park and quite a large number of people have used the Links and the experiment has proven a success.

The ground in Riverside Park which was used in 1905 by the School Gardens was again placed in condition and was used by the school children with even greater enjoyment and profit than the previous year.

Many improvements have been made in Colt Park, a new roadway has been constructed and considerable grading done. The Park is well advanced in its development and has already become a valuable addition to the Park System of the City.

The appropriation of one thousand dollars by your Honorable Body for toilet and bathing facilities at Pope Park has not, as yet, been expended; the delay being due to the lack of proper drainage for the land in the location indicated for the establishment of toilet and bathing houses. The matter will be taken up in the near future.

The parkway through Pope Park which was begun during May, 1906, has been finished and opened to the public. The work was completed within the appropriation.

The plan submitted by the Bath House Committee for the storage of the public bath-houses in Riverside Park was carried out and the houses were stored there the past winter. The plan will, no doubt, prove very satisfactory.

Great care and strict economy have been exercised

in endeavoring to keep the Parks up to their standard of beauty and usefulness and not exceed the amount appropriated for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Board,

LEWIS C. GROVER,
President.

FRANKLIN G. WHITMORE,
Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Amounts received from City Treasurer by warrants drawn during the year, to March 31st, 1907, as follows:

1906.	Cash balance on hand March 31st.....	\$2,210.47
April	Tax Fund, Warrant 312.....	2,500.00
April	Bond Fund, Warrant 313.....	3,000.00
May	Tax Fund, Warrant 314.....	4,277.19
June	Tax Fund, Warrant 315.....	8,778.49
July	Tax Fund, Warrant 316.....	7,128.38
August	Tax Fund, Warrant 317.....	4,802.81
August	Tax Fund, Warrant 318.....	1,196.40
September	Tax Fund, Warrant 319.....	5,593.01
October	Tax Fund, Warrant 320.....	3,393.74
November	Tax Fund, Warrant 321.....	2,667.93
December	Tax Fund, Warrant 322.....	2,793.99
1907.		
January	Tax Fund, Warrant 324.....	3,686.94
February	Tax Fund, Warrant 325.....	2,450.64
February	Bond Fund, Warrant 326.....	718.74
March	Tax Fund, Warrant 327.....	1,601.89

Amounts received from various Parks for miscellaneous items during the year, as follows:

Rentals,	Tenants on the Parks.....	\$1,012.76
Pope Park,	Tennis Court Tickets.....	353.74
Supplies,	Return from Daniels Mill Co.....	41.03
Colt Park,	Sale of wood, etc.....	342.65
Elizabeth Park,	Restaurant privilege.....	150.00
Mach. Tools and Imp.	Sale of wool, lambs, etc.....	200.83
Nursery,	Sale of Plants, etc.....	14.00
General Expense,	Rebate from Downing & Perkins..	74.36
Goodwin Park,	Sale of grass.....	280.00
Riverside Park,	Sale of coal, etc.....	53.68
Bushnell Park,	Rebate from Consolidated Ry. Co.	5.75

Total Receipts.....\$59,329.42

EXPENDITURES.

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
1906				
April 8,	Park Pay Roll,	1007	No. 1,	\$571.49
15,	Park Pay Roll,	1008	No. 2,	804.05
22,	Park Pay Roll,	1009	No. 3,	1,189.30
29,	Park Pay Roll,	1010	No. 4,	1,420.17
May 8,	Park Pay Roll,	1011	No. 5,	1,643.88
11,	Daniels Mill Co.,	1012	Supplies,	126.03
	Cadwell & Jones,	1013	Tools and seeds,	120.52
	Frank D. Ellison,	1014	Plumbing work,	29.10
	H. Cowlshaw & Son,	1015	Key,	.25
	D. F. Keenan,	1016	Crushed stone,	13.75
	Smith-Worthington Co.,	1017	Supplies,	1.00
	Hartford Lumber Co.	1018	Mach., tools and im- plements,	1.20
	Harry Flynn,	1019	Horse shoeing,	2.25
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1020	Supplies,	.35
	Andrus & Naedele Co.,	1021	Supplies,	1.20
	Belknap & Warfield,	1022	Supplies (Supt. of- fice)	5.20
	Nathan Smith & Son,	1023	Nursery plants,	9.1
	F. G. Whitmore,	1024	Salary,	83.33
	The Bonner-Preston Co.,	1025	General expense,	12.95
	Trustees Trinity Col- lege,	1026	Ground rent,	65.88
	Charles H. Totty,	1027	Plants,	16.13
	W. L. Winship,	1028	Tools, etc.,	100.00
	The W. W. Walker Co.,	1029	Supplies,	.25
	Wm. J. McDonough,	1030	Supplies,	6.10
	Arthur Cowee,	1031	Nursery plants,	12.00
	Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co.,	1032	Supplies (office),	3.75
	The Dingee & Conard Co.,	1033	Plants,	4.80
	Frank F. Schirm,	1034	General expense,	8.90
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1035	Feed,	35.56
	E. J. Holstein,	1036	Hose,	48.00
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams Co.,	1037	Tools and supplies,	33.52
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1038	Lumber,	95.27
	Watson & Jackson Corporation,	1039	Cement,	1.62
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1040	General expense (rent),	41.66
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1041	Electricity,	15.50

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	Southern N. E. Tele- phone Co.,	1042	Telephones,	35.50
	Board of Water Com- missioners,	1043	Water rents,	127.80
	George A. Parker,	1044	Salary and expense,	181.89
	B. L. McGurk,	1045	Repairs to wagons,	74.75
15,	A. W. Anderson,	1046	Horse shoeing,	7.00
22,	Park Pay Roll,	1047	No. 6,	1,518.10
29,	Park Pay Roll,	1048	No. 7,	1,927.46
June 4,	Park Pay Roll,	1049	No. 8,	1,377.89
8,	Park Pay Roll,	1050	No. 9,	1,010.17
	Cadwell & Jones,	1051	Tools and implem'ts,	123.41
	Henry A. Dreer,	1052	Plants,	49.15
	Wm. J. McDonough,	1053	Supplies, (Supt. of- fice),	38.48
	Frank F. Schirm,	1054	Horse shoeing,	5.15
	D. J. Curtis, Jr.,	1055	Manure,	45.41
	C. O. Purinton,	1056	Flower pots,	11.00
	Good & Reese Co.,	1057	Plants,	9.00
	Arthur T. Boddington,	1058	Plants,	7.00
	George A. Parker,	1059	Salary and expense,	187.95
June 8,	Conard & Jones Co.,	1060	Plants,	14.35
	Bonner-Preston Co.,	1061	Paint,	3.25
	Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co.,	1062	Supplies (Supt. of- fice),	3.25
	Harry Flynn,	1063	Horse shoeing,	4.50
	J. Woodward Man- ning,	1064	Roses,	2.00
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1065	Supplies,	19.67
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1066	Supplies,	23.97
	Brown, Thomson & Co.,	1067	Supplies (nursery)	2.60
	Watson & Jackson,	1068	Cement,	18.96
	Andrews & Peck Co.,	1069	Piping,	111.45
	Independent Coal Co.,	1070	Coal,	6.20
	Hartford Lumber Co.,	1071	Lumber,	46.22
	Conn. Institute for Blind,	1072	Supplies,	9.00
	E. C. Bishop Co.,	1073	Settees,	75.00
	Frank D. Ellison,	1074	Plumbing work,	39.34
	John C. Trant,	1075	Supplies,	4.00
	Plimpton Mfg. Co.,	1076	Supplies (Supt. of- fice),	4.75
	F. G. Whitmore,	1077	Salary,	83.33
	James N. Bishop,	1078	Ferns,	12.50
	William G. Dudley,	1079	General expense,	7.50
	Everett S. Geer,	1080	Tools and implem'ts	6.00

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1081	General expense (rent),	41.66
	J. C. Bidwell & Co.,	1082	Supplies,	11.75
	Seth Belden & Son,	1083	Tile,	70.00
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams Co.,	1084	Tools and supplies,	61.64
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1085	Lumber,	101.13
	Board of Water Commissioners,	1086	Water rents (Colt Park)	48.34
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1087	Electric lights,	18.66
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1088	Supplies,	10.80
	Harris Parker Co.,	1089	Supplies (Tennis Courts),	19.00
	The L. C. Daniels Grain Co.,	1090	Salt,	4.80
	F. C. Sturtevant,	1091	Fertilizer,	45.00
12,	Park Pay Roll,	1092	No. 10,	1,671.21
19,	Park Pay Roll,	1093	No. 11,	2,279.19
26,	Park Pay Roll,	1094	No. 12,	1,545.14
July 3,	Park Pay Roll,	1095	No. 13,	1,367.85
7,	A. Mugford,	1096	Half tone cuts,	48.00
	J. K. Jepsen,	1097	Repairing pond house	75.00
	L. L. Ensworth & Son,	1098	Tools and implem'ts	.90
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1099	Supplies and tools,	18.58
	E. J. Holstein,	1100	Hose,	16.00
	J. H. & W. E. Cone,	1101	Tools and implem'ts	10.66
	A. W. Anderson,	1102	General expense,	4.00
	Robert Garvie,	1103	Plumbing,	1.10
	Edward Schuman,	1104	Gravel,	30.00
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1105	Supplies,	34.05
	Hartford Lumber Co.,	1106	Lumber,	75.38
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams,	1107	Hardware,	17.87
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1108	Lumber,	55.36
	Watson & Jackson Corporation,	1109	Cement,	11.00
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1110	Electricity,	1.00
	G. A. Parker,	1111	Salary and expense,	197.39
	Bonner-Preston Co.,	1112	Paint and varnish,	14.35
	Andrus & Naedele Co.,	1113	Supplies,	2.34
	J. C. Bidwell & Co.,	1114	Tools and implem'ts,	3.45
	Francis & Co.,	1115	Tools and implem'ts,	27.35

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	Smith-Worthington Co.,	1116	Repairing tools and implements,	4.75
July 7,	Board of Street Commissioners,	1117	Catch basin cover,	16.50
	Geo. W. Burch,	1118	Rubber stamps,	20.00
	Seth Belden & Son,	1119	Piping,	95.76
	B. L. McGurk,	1120	Tools and implem'ts,	17.75
	Edward Balf Co.,	1121	Stone,	3.84
	Harris Parker Co.,	1122	Tools and supplies,	17.40
	Hartford Machine Screw Co.,	1123	Manure,	48.13
	Cadwell & Jones,	1124	Tools and implem'ts,	127.51
	F. G. Whitmore,	1125	Salary and expense,	84.03
	Woods & Hurley,	1126	Office furniture and supplies,	7.25
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1127	General expense (rent),	41.68
9,	Electric Vehicle Co.,	1128	Electric Runabout,	250.00
16,	Park Pay Roll,	1129	No. 14,	1,130.25
23,	Park Pay Roll,	1130	No. 15,	1,269.07
30,	Park Pay Roll,	1131	No. 16,	1,205.80
Aug. 7,	Park Pay Roll,	1132	No. 17,	963.32
8,	Park Pay Roll,	1133	No. 18,	888.38
	John Coombs,	1134	Moss,	1.00
	Fred J. Godbout,	1135	Roofing work,	12.34
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1136	Lumber,	156.63
	Seth Belden & Son,	1137	Curbing,	334.52
	Thomas Stafford,	1138	Loam,	7.50
	Harry Flynn,	1139	Horse shoeing,	9.00
	A. W. Anderson,	1140	Horse shoeing,	1.75
	Southern N. E. Telephone Co.,	1141	Telephones,	30.15
	Phoenix Iron Works Corp.,	1142	Iron work,	10.00
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1143	Oats,	12.72
	Billings Sidewalk & Coal Co.,	1144	Plaster,	.84
	L. L. Ensworth & Son,	1145	Iron,	1.80
	Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co.,	1146	Book,	1.40
	Frank F. Schirm,	1147	Repairing tools, etc.,	26.60
	Neal, Goff & Inglis Co.,	1148	Chairs,	66.00
	Hartford Wire Works,	1149	Wire,	1.80
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1150	Oats and feed,	36.74
	J. M. Thorburn & Co.,	1151	Fertilizer,	6.30

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	Hartford Lumber Co.,	1152	Lumber,	7.71
	Vaughan's Seed Store,	1153	Seeds,	29.43
	E. J. Holstein,	1154	Hose,	59.00
	John Gilmour,	1155	Carpenter work,	140.56
	J. C. Bidwell & Co.,	1156	Repairing tools,	3.45
	Smith & Nettleton,	1157	Stationery,	2.30
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams,	1158	Hardware,	8.59
	Miner Garage Co.,	1159	Repairing auto, etc.,	21.05
	Arthur T. Bodding-ton,	1160	Plants,	16.85
	John C. Trant,	1161	Paint,	1.10
	Wm. J. McDonough,	1162	Supplies (office),	5.45
	George A. Parker,	1163	Salary and expense,	180.62
	Smith-Linsley Co.,	1164	Reports,	113.00
	F. G. Whitmore,	1165	Salary and expense,	88.33
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1166	General expense, (rent),	41.66
	Seward Rubber Co.,	1167	Hose,	8.00
	F. D. Ellison,	1168	Plumbing work,	35.31
	Tunnel Garage Co.,	1169	Repairing and charging auto,	178.12
	Electric Vehicle Co.,	1170	Repairing and charging auto,	25.35
	Harris Parker Co.,	1171	Outdoor gymnasium and tools,	14.86
	Hooker & Penrose,	1172	Insurance,	20.00
Aug. 8,	T. Sisson & Co.,	1173	Supplies,	50.04
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1174	Electric lights,	150.09
14,	Park Pay Roll,	1175	No. 19,	1,208.45
21,	Park Pay Roll,	1176	No. 20,	1,198.74
28,	Park Pay Roll,	1177	No. 21,	1,336.57
Sept. 4,	Park Pay Roll,	1178	No. 22,	1,196.40
	Bonner-Preston Co.,	1179	Repairing building,	9.71
	Frank D. Ellison,	1180	Plumbing work,	39.47
	Michael Kane,	1181	Clay,	2.00
	Cephas Dorr,	1182	Clay,	2.00
	Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co.,	1183	Supplies (Supt. office),	19.95
	Hartford Ptg. Co.,	1184	Directory,	3.00
	Plimpton Mfg. Co.,	1185	Supplies,	9.70
	Clapp & Treat,	1186	Hardware,	1.00
	C. H. Brazel & Co.,	1187	Repairing tools,	4.80
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1188	Feed,	28.55
	J. H. Jepsen,	1189	Papering and painting,	13.05

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	Frank F. Schirm,	1190	Horse shoeing, etc.,	10.70
	B. L. McGurk,	1191	Repairing tools,	20.05
	Andrews & Peck Co.,	1192	Piping,	10.20
	Downing & Perkins,	1193	Freight and cartage,	.75
	L. L. Ensworth & Son,	1194	Iron,	11.70
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1195	General e x p e n s e , (rent),	41.66
	K. Goldberg,	1196	Coal,	721.00
	F. G. Whitmore,	1197	Salary,	83.33
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams Co.,	1198	Hardware,	24.79
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1199	Oil,	36.60
	George A. Parker,	1200	Salary and expense,	172.57
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1201	Electric lights,	2.00
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1202	Lumber,	84.51
	William Bolf,	1203	Manure,	104.25
	Francis & Co.,	1204	Hardware,	7.50
	The Harris Parker Co.,	1205	Supplies,	.50
	Brown, Thomson & Co.,	1206	Burlap,	8.61
	Edward Balf Co.,	1207	Ashes,	7.00
	Tunnel Garage Co.,	1208	Repairing auto,	66.72
	John Coombs,	1209	Moss,	2.00
	A. W. Anderson,	1210	Shoeing,	4.50
	Smith-Worthington Co.,	1211	Repairing machine, tools, etc.,	5.30
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1212	Feed,	24.00
	Harry Flynn,	1213	Shoeing,	2.25
	J. C. Bidwell & Co.,	1214	Machinery, tools, etc.,	7.29
	P. R. Day & Son,	1215	Fence,	706.04
11,	Park Pay Roll,	1216	No. 23,	914.04
18,	Park Pay Roll,	1217	No. 24,	735.80
25,	Park Pay Roll,	1218	No. 25,	531.47
Oct. 2,	Park Pay Roll,	1219	No. 26,	529.80
9,	Cadwell & Jones,	1220	Tools and supplies,	193.31
	J. C. Bidwell & Co.,	1221	Tools and implem'ts,	5.72
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1222	Supplies,	12.71
	Wm. J. McDonough,	1223	Supplies,	3.00
	Phoenix Mutual Life Life Ins. Co.,	1224	General e x p e n s e (rent),	41.68
	James Pullar & Co.,	1225	Repairing tools and implements,	2.50

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
Oct. 9,	The Edwin Taylor			
	Lumber Co.,	1226	Lumber,	17.53
	A. W. Anderson,	1227	Horse shoeing,	2.25
	Harry Flynn,	1228	Horse shoeing,	4.50
	John C. Trant,	1229	General expense,	.25
	Watson & Jackson			
	Corporation,	1230	Cement,	1.50
	Case, Lockwood &			
	Brainard Co.,	1231	Supplies,	24.21
	John Gilmour,	1232	Carpenter work,	31.90
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1233	Paint supplies, .	20.39
	Thomas Stafford,	1234	Sand,	5.00
	Downing & Perkins,	1235	Freight and cartage,	4.98
	F. G. Whitmore,	1236	Salary,	83.33
	Frank F. Schirm &			
	Sons,	1237	Repairing tools and	
			implements,	7.60
	Olds & Whipple,	1238	Fertilizer,	200.02
	Francis & Co.,	1239	Hardware,	2.75
	Thomas Stafford,	1240	Sand,	8.00
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1241	Supplies (feed),	30.94
	Smith-Worthington			
	Co.,	1242	Tools and implem'ts,	2.00
	Arthur T. Boddington,	1243	Plants,	178.18
	George A. Parker,	1244	Salary and expense,	170.92
	Andrus & Naedele			
	Co.,	1245	Supplies,	.98
	Tunnel Garage Co.,	1246	Repairing auto and	
			storage,	76.23
	Frank D. Ellison,	1247	Plumbing,	4.55
	Hartford Lumber Co.	1248	Lumber,	4.66
	Phoenix Iron Works			
	Corporation,	1249	Iron mould,	75.00
	Hartford Elec. Light			
	Co.,	1250	Electric lights,	174.50
	C. H. Brazel & Co.,	1251	Repairing tools and	
			implements,	2.30
Nov. 6,	The W. W. Walker			
	Co.,	1252	Supplies,	.35
	9, Park Pay Roll,	1253	No. 27,	504.46
	16, Park Pay Roll,	1254	No. 28,	460.56
	23, Park Pay Roll,	1255	No. 29,	448.39
	30, Park Pay Roll,	1256	No. 30,	420.69
	6, Park Pay Roll,	1257	No. 31,	382.96
	8, The Edward Balf Co.,	1258	Sand,	2.25
	Tunnel Garage Co.,	1259	Repairing auto and	
			storage,	20.67
	Frank F. Schirm,	1260	Horse shoeing,	5.15
	Thomas H. Joyce.	1261	Horse shoeing,	5.50

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	The L. C. Daniels Grain Co.,	1262	Horse feed,	47.13
	Smith-Worthington Co.,	1263	Repairing tools,	3.50
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1264	Feed,	11.04
	Watson & Jackson Corporation,	1265	Sand and cement,	15.10
	James H. Grozier,	1266	Repairing greenhouse	18.00
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1267	Lumber,	1.92
	Harry Flynn,	1268	Horse shoeing,	6.75
	Charles Coburn,	1269	Cement,	3.75
	Wm. J. McDonough,	1270	Stationery,	2.00
	Collins & Courtice,	1271	Rent (voting house),	50.00
	Hartford Ptg. Co.,	1272	Directory,	3.00
	Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co.,	1273	Books and supplies,	36.05
	The Lindgren Chem- ical Co.,	1274	Supplies,	5.00
	Francis & Co.,	1275	Hardware,	12.00
	George A. Parker,	1276	Salary and expense,	174.04
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1277	Rent,	41.66
	F. G. Whitmore,	1278	Salary,	83.33
	W. E. Baker & Son,	1279	Insurance premium,	40.00
	Beardsley & Beards- ley,	1280.	Insurance premium,	30.00
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1281	Electricity,	35.17
	Southern N. E. Tele- phone Co.,	1282	Telephones,	29.45
	Board of Water Com- missioners,	1283	Water rents,	449.74
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1284	Supplies,	15.85
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams,	1285	Hardware and sup- plies,	19.88
13,	Park Pay Roll,	1286	No. 32,	347.75
20,	Park Pay Roll,	1287	No. 33,	428.63
27,	Park Pay Roll,	1288	No. 34,	699.49
Dec. 4,	Park Pay Roll,	1289	No. 35,	561.67
Dec. 4,	Wm. J. McDonough,	1290	Office supplies,	\$7.70
	Smith-Worthington Co.,	1291	Mach., tools and im- plements,	3.10
	Frank F. Schirm & Sons,	1292	Mach., tools and im- plements,	9.00
	William L. Winship,	1293	Mach., tools and im- plements (Colt),	125.00

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	C. O. Purinton,	1294	Nursery supplies,	9.63
	Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co.,	1295	Supplies,	15.30
	Brown, Thomson & Co.,	1296	Supplies (Supt. of- fice),	1.00
	John C. Trant,	1297	Supplies (nursery),	.20
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1298	Supplies,	1.50
	Hartford Elec. Mach. & Repair Co.,	1299	Repairing auto,	50.30
	W. E. Baker & Son,	1300	Insurance premium,	45.00
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1301	Rent,	41.66
	F. G. Whitmore,	1302	Salary,	83.33
	J. C. Bidwell & Co.,	1303	Repairing tools and implements,	9.19
	Hatch & North Coal Co.,	1304	Coal and wood,	9.00
	S. P. Griswold,	1305	Straw,	11.05
	Hartford Lumber Co.,	1306	Lumber,	127.46
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1307	Lumber,	3.81
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1308	Oats,	22.08
	Andrus & Naedele Co.,	1309	Supplies,	6.60
	George A. Parker,	1310	Salary,	166.67
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1311	Electric lighting,	38.00
11,	Park Pay Roll,	1312	No. 36,	498.91
18,	Park Pay Roll,	1313	No. 37,	540.62
25,	Park Pay Roll,	1314	No. 38,	355.55
31,	Park Pay Roll,	1315	No. 39,	385.10
1907.				
Jan. 7,	Park Pay Roll,	1316	No. 40,	283.65
9,	Never slip Horse- shoeing Co.,	1317	General expense,	2.25
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1318	Electricity,	59.10
	Billings Sidewalk & Coal Co.,	1319	Merestones,	7.50
	B. L. McGurk,	1320	Repairing machine, tools, etc.,	22.30
	Hartford Lumber Co.,	1321	Lumber,	.90
	Smith-Premier Co.,	1322	Repairing typew'ter,	3.50
	Cadwell & Jones,	1323	Mach., tools and im- plements,	15.09
	The L. C. Daniels Grain Co.,	1324	Feed,	101.43

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	Colton & Lyman, Smith-Worthington Co.,	1325	General expense,	5.00
		1326	Repairing tools and implements,	.70
	C. H. Brazel & Co.,	1327	Repairing tools and implements,	1.15
	James T. Murray,	1328	Mach., tools, etc.,	.75
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1329	Supplies,	1.35
	George A. Parker,	1330	Salary and expense,	172.69
	J. F. Huss,	1331	Roses,	12.76
	Lord & Burnham Co.,	1332	Glass,	10.85
	W. L. Whittemore & Son,	1333	Tools and implem'ts,	1.05
	Edward Balf Co.,	1334	Street sprinkling,	50.00
	F. F. Schirm & Sons,	1335	Horseshoeing,	16.10
	L. J. Robertson,	1336	Hemlock boughs,	42.00
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1337	Feed,	1.25
	W. W. Walker Co.,	1338	Supplies,	.40
	H. Levinson,	1339	General expense,	3.50
	Hartford Coal Co.,	1340	Coal,	11.67
	P. R. Day & Son,	1341	Fencing,	215.00
	Plimpton Mfg. Co.,	1342	Supplies,	9.00
	Hooker & Penrose,	1343	Insurance premium,	75.00
	Downing & Perkins,	1344	Freight and cartage,	1.07
	Wm. J. McDonough,	1345	Supplies,	1.50
	F. G. Whitmore,	1346	Salary,	83.33
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams,	1347	Supplies and tools,	55.19
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1348	Rent,	41.68
	D. F. Keenan,	1349	Crushed stone,	1,161.88
15,	Park Pay Roll,	1350	No. 41,	326.53
22,	Park Pay Roll,	1351	No. 42,	362.04
29,	Park Pay Roll,	1352	No. 43,	386.62
Feb. 3,	Park Pay Roll,	1353	No. 44,	417.34
6,	Wm. J. McDonough,	1354	Supplies,	17.70
	The Andrus & Nae- dele Co.,	1355	Supplies,	1.00
	Daniels Mill Co.,	1356	Supplies,	30.08
	Neverslip Horse- shoeing Co.,	1357	General expense,	6.75
	D. S. Moseley,	1358	Supplies,	3.00
	George A. Parker,	1359	Salary and expense,	175.29
	Watson & Jackson Corporation,	1360	New walk (Pope Park),	485.76
	C. O. Purinton,	1361	Supplies (nursery),	7.50
	T. Sisson & Co.,	1362	Supplies,	8.41
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1363	Rent,	41.66

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
	The Mellen & Hewes Co.,	1364	Supplies,	1.00
	The Blodgett & Clapp Co.,	1365	Mach., tools and im- plements,	5.69
	F. G. Whitmore,	1366	Salary and expense,	83.58
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1367	Electric lights,	15.59
	Southern N. E. Tele- phone Co.,	1368	Telephones,	15.00
	John C. Trant,	1369	Supplies,	4.10
	Palace Auto Station,	1370	Repairing auto,	34.42
	The Edwin Taylor Lumber Co.,	1371	Lumber,	4.86
	Frank F. Schirm,	1372	General expense,	9.25
11,	Park Pay Roll,	1373	No. 45,	399.64
19,	Park Pay Roll,	1374	No. 46,	287.63
26,	Park Pay Roll,	1375	No. 47,	365.14
Mch. 5,	Park Pay Roll,	1376	No. 48,	396.12
6,	Charles Coburn,	1377	Supplies,	3.00
	Hartford Coal Co.,	1378	Coal,	14.00
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1379	Feed,	55.81
	Sam'l N. Woodhouse,	1380	Feed,	20.00
	Hartford L u m b e r Co.,	1381	Lumber,	9.30
	The L. C. Daniels Grain Co.,	1382	Oil meal,	35.00
	Henry A. Dreer,	1383	Plants,	18.40
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams,	1384	Tools and implem'ts,	8.79
	Downing & Perkins,	1385	Freight and cartage,	7.95
	Arthur T. Boddington,	1386	Plants,	58.07
	John C. Trant,	1387	Supplies,	23.78
	R. Vincent, Jr., & Son,	1388	Plants,	10.30
	Hartford Elec. Light Co.,	1389	Electric lights,	15.68
	Southern N. E. Tele- phone Co.,	1390	Telephones,	14.25
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1391	Rent,	41.66
	G. A. Parker,	1392	Salary and expense,	175.37
	Frank F. Schirm & Son,	1393	General expense,	6.20
	F. G. Whitmore,	1394	Salary and expense,	84.33
Mch. 12,	Park Pay Roll,	1395	No. 49,	339.05
19,	Park Pay Roll,	1396	No. 50,	325.58
26,	Park Pay Roll,	1397	No. 51,	336.49
April 2,	Park Pay Roll,	1398	No. 52,	364.74

EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

Date	To Whom Paid	V'ch'r No.	For What Purpose	Amount
3,	Arthur T. Bodding- ton,	1399	Plants,	29.37
	Charles H. Totty,	1400	Plants,	16.00
	Stumpp & Walter Co.,	1401	Supplies,	18.15
	Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co.,	1402	Supplies,	15.75
	John B. Bramley,	1403	Feed,	35.00
	Cadwell & Jones,	1404	Supplies,	1.13
	Henry A. Dreer,	1405	Plants,	.75
	Tracy, Robinson & Williams,	1406	Tools and implem'ts,	.24
	Smith-Worthington Co.,	1407	Tools and implem'ts,	1.00
	C. A. Pease & Co.,	1408	Feed,	18.83
	Goodwin Bros. Pot- tery Co.,	1409	Flower pots,	19.80
	O'Connor Coal & Supply Co.,	1410	Coal,	58.00
	Downing & Perkins,	1411	Freight and cartage,	8.30
	Sisson Drug Co.,	1412	Supplies,	6.94
	C. A. Parker,	1413	Salary and expense,	175.77
	Phoenix Mutual Life Ins. Co.,	1414	General expense (rent),	41.68
	F. G. Whitmore,	1415	Salary and expense,	84.33
	Frank F. Schirm,	1416	General expense,	12.30
			Total,	\$58,015.12

HARTFORD, CONN., May 22, 1907.

I have examined the books and vouchers of F. G. Whitmore, Secretary of Board of Park Commissioners, and find them correct.

CHARLES H. ROBINS, *Controller.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1907.

TAX FUND ACCOUNT.

April 1, 1906,	Balance in hands of City Treasurer, per report.....	\$8,201.69	
	Balance in Bank to credit of fund, per report.....	2,174.82	
June 5,	Appropriation by Court of Common Council for improvements at Colt Park.....	1,000.00	
	Appropriation by Court of Common Council for restoration of stones, Ancient Cemetery.....	100.00	
July 1,	Amount received from Tax Collector and deposited in City Treasury for maintenance.....	41,500.00	
	Interest credited to fund.....	44.49	
Oct. 24,	Appropriation by Court of Common Council for walk in Pope Park.....	700.00	
	Appropriation by Court of Common Council for new land in Pope Park.....	1,500.00	
Dec. 31,	Interest credited to fund.....	175.45	
Mch. 31, 1907,	Incidental receipts, rentals, etc., received during year.....	2,271.79	
		<hr/>	\$57,668.24
Mch. 31,	Expenditures for maintenance during year.....	\$54,003.72	
Jan. 4,	Expenditure for new land in Pope Park.....	1,500.00	
Mch. 31,	Balance on hand in City Treasury to credit of fund.....	850.22	
Mch. 31,	Balance in Bank to credit of fund.....	1,314.30	
		<hr/>	\$57,668.24

BOND FUND ACCOUNT.

April 1, 1906,	Balance in hands of City Treasurer, per report.....	\$7,850.35	
	Balance in Bank to credit of fund, per report.....	35.65	
July 1,	Interest credited to fund.....	67.89	
Dec. 31,	Interest credited to fund.....	48.77	
Mch. 31, 1907,	Miscellaneous receipts during the year.....	257.01	
		<u> </u>	\$ 8,259.67
Mch. 31,	Expenditures from fund, during year.....	\$4,011.40	
	Balance in hands of City Treasurer, to credit of fund.....	4,248.27	
		<u> </u>	\$8,259.67

ELIZABETH PARK FUND.

April 1, 1906,	Balance in hands of City Treasurer, to credit of fund, per report.....	\$5,870.88	
	Dividend, Hartford Exchange Co.	10.00	
June 1,	Interest credited on balance.....	54.24	
Dec. 1,	Interest credited on balance.....	56.11	
		<u> </u>	\$5,991.23
Mch. 31, 1907,	Balance in hands of City Treasurer, to credit of fund.....	\$5,991.23	
		<u> </u>	\$5,991.23

**IMPROVEMENTS
AND
MAINTENANCE.**

IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE.

	Elizabeth Park.	Goodwin Park.	Pope Park.	Riverside Park.	Bushnell Park.	Colt Park.	Barnard Park.	Sigourney Square.	Lafayette Square.	Tunnel Park.
IMPROVEMENTS.										
Plans and Surveys .....	.....	.....	\$107 72	\$7 15	.....	\$120 97	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Roadways.....	.....	.....	219 37	18 28	.....	1,195 91	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parkway.....	.....	.....	6,942 89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Compost.....	.....	.....	212 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Plank Walk.....	.....	.....	660 99	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Labor.....	.....	.....	.....	962 51	.....	1,299 13	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ball Grounds.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	384 29	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monument.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	257 01	.....	.....	.....	.....
Forest Cleaning, Pruni'g	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 53	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grading.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	133 67	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fence.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	947 72	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	.....	\$8 143 63	\$987 94	.....	\$4,402 23	.....	.....	.....	.....
MAINTENANCE.										
Sweeping and Cleaning	\$96 70	58	\$212 32	\$96 85	\$323 05	\$155 30	\$60 94	\$10 45	\$1 56	\$28 30
Snow Cleaning	65 53	.....	416 48	45 02	744 46	93 81	131 25	.....	12 49	1 17
Snow Cleaning Pond.....	87 68	.....	87 29	1 67	76 90	29 97	.....	.....	.....	.....
Repairing Sidewalks.....	26 22	.....	3 30	10 09	62 92	4 71	.....	.....	6 97	.....
Cleaning Roadways.....	445 13	165 37	51 83	37 64	176 86	122 99	.....	.....	.....	.....
Repairing Roadways.....	246 11	.....	8 56	.....	10 03	35 94	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mowing and Care Lawns	1,079 70	597 12	591 27	469 16	736 45	494 28	48 29	117 70	27 74	20 72
Seeding and Turfing.....	82 59	4 70	.....	.....	37 40	14 06	.....	.....	5 83	8 20
Flowers and Beds.....	809 14	.....	.....	17 31	236 89	45 05	.....	19 28	.....	.....
Trees, Shrubs, fallen Lv's	1,369 58	303 40	322 30	334 63	475 53	120 26	63 48	59 97	40 74	6 80
Plantations.....	26 61	.....	.....	.....	10 05	3 86	.....	.....	.....	.....
Labor.....	1,472 16	553 32	987 78	681 90	855 08	1,096 18	33 67	15 65	1 93	8 27
Watching.....	264 52	450 71	723 03	435 23	811 46	487 38	1 65	1 25	1 94	4 14
Sundry Expenses.....	1,538 54	149 79	341 72	414 61	428 16	639 69	.....	21 71	13 75	4 66
Supplies.....	845 81	1 92	10 15	249 62	122 28	301 31	.....	2 88	.....	.....
Compost.....	75 16	1 39	.....	.....	.....	4 89	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rose Garden.....	47 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bridge.....	8 68	.....	.....	.....	14 97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Golf Links.....	.....	700 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Playgrounds.....	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tennis Courts.....	.....	.....	59 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ball Grounds.....	.....	.....	1 56	.....	.....	71 17	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gymnasium.....	.....	.....	21 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
School Garden.....	.....	.....	.....	154 73	.....	138 28	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vacation School.....	.....	.....	.....	17 50	.....	9 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Asylum Street Entrance	.....	.....	.....	.....	119 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Floriculture.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenhouse.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 98	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$8,587 71	\$2,928 44	\$3,840 58	\$2,965 96	\$5,242 16	\$3,916 61	\$338 71	\$248 89	\$112 95	\$82 32

IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE.

Buckingham Square.	Franklin Ave. Square.	Village St. Square.	Ancient Cemetery.	Washington St. Square.	Camp Field Monument.	Nursery.	Supt's Office.	Corning Fountain.	Rocky Ridge Park.	Office Furniture and Supplies.	City Hall Square.		
		\$121 26										Comfort....	
												Mch., Tools and Imp...	\$81 48 607 21
		121 26											\$688 69
\$16 26 50 81	\$6 33 38 70	\$31 97	\$58 9 90	\$ 47	\$3 26 19 55	\$1 11					\$64 45 5 03		
12 74		14 17	107 12		3 25						33 54	Rep. Mch. Tools & Imp.	\$864 57
		18 22	62								28 31	Gen. Main. House	2,179 24
7 86		7 80	44 44	4 61	16 50	164 73					11 48	of Comfort	723 48
1 22						144 57						Supplies....	541 94
8 14	4 46	15 36 8 75	1 53 2 78	2 25	14 19	1,080 48		\$1 10	\$171 62 6 00		23 92	Salaries....	3,000 00
						109 35	60 67				58	Spec. Labor	2,334 66
						171 56	253 23			\$21 00			
						565 86 78							
						2,369 95							
\$97 03	\$49 49	\$95 27	\$166 97	7 33	\$56 75	\$4,608 39	\$313 90	\$1 10	\$177 62	\$21 00	\$167 31		\$9,643 89

Total Improvements.....\$14,343 74

Total Maintenance.....43,671 38

Total Expenditures.....\$58,015 12

Annual Report of Superintendent.

To the Board of Park Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN:—I have to report as follows of work done in the different park areas in addition to their ordinary maintenance and caretaking:

Goodwin Park

Preparations for a nine-link golf course were begun in June and was in use July 9th. The cost of the improvement was \$535.65, and for care during the remainder of the year \$164.49. The number of players counted was 1,834. Assuming that there were about 10 per cent. more players than were counted, the number of players would be about 2,000 for the season, at an average cost of $8\frac{1}{4}$ cents per player for maintenance. A part of the cost of maintenance is fairly chargeable to the betterment of the park and with a full season, it is probable that the cost per player would not be over six cents. To decrease this cost means an increased number of players. The number would be still more increased if a shelter of some kind was provided for them.

With the limited amount of patrolling available compared with the large extent of park area, entirely unlighted, I have failed to keep the park as free from unseemly actions during the evening as a park should be kept. No arrests were made, but prevention is better than arrests, and under present con-



COLT PARK—SCHOOL GARDEN

ditions it seems to me desirable that this park should be closed to all visitors from one hour after sunset until sunrise next morning.

The rapid running of automobiles is destroying the road bed of the driveway. Signs have no apparent effect, and until arrangements are made by which the speed limit ordinance can be enforced, it seems impractical to prevent this evil.

Colt Park

The park drive, 18 ft. wide, has been constructed from Wethersfield Avenue to the greenhouses, costing \$1,186.50; the grading around Colt Memorial, costing \$257.01, was paid by the executors of the estate. The Edward Balf Company contributed some two hundred loads of good filling material without cost to the Department.

Seven skinned baseball diamonds were prepared, costing \$320.70. Two hundred and sixty-three permits were issued, but many played without receiving permits.

The clearing of the grounds of the park between Wethersfield Avenue and the railroad track, clearing out of the hedge rows, and removal of trees, cost \$1,459.29. No attempt was made to regrade the grounds beyond the simplest smoothing up.

The school garden was successful, the expense of maintaining them being paid by the Civic Club. The cost of getting them ready for the work and such care as the park employees gave was \$138.28.

Fifty seats and six tables were added to the grounds, all of such light weight as to be easily moved by visitors and were much used and appreciated.

There being no lights within the park, the patrol-

ing evenings was somewhat difficult, but I think effectual. On account of the darkness one boy rode his wheel directly into the big reservoir, and but for the prompt action of the patrolman, Mr. Thomas Gaghan, would have been drowned. A low iron fence has been partially erected around this reservoir. It could not be completed until later on account of a section of it having to be made especially to fit the curved line of the shore.

Elizabeth Park

The rose garden, flower display, chrysanthemum show and other special attractions, with the general beauty of the park, makes it the most frequented of any in Hartford. By daily count and estimate of visitors, 215,000 people visited this park during the year; the cost of maintenance about \$8,000, an average of less than four cents per visitor, an unusually low per capita cost.

Pope Park

A parkway, 24 ft. wide with a parallel foot path 7 ft. wide, with side-grading, was constructed from Laurel Street to Hamilton Street at a cost of \$7,925.68. The scheme of building this road should have made it hard, with a smooth surface, but on account of over-rolling under unusual conditions, has forced the sub-grade up and renders the surface rough and will necessitate re-surfacing.

The outdoor gymnasium and bathing facilities



ELIZABETH PARK—ROSE ARBORS.

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were popular and much used during suitable weather. A quoit court was made and was in use nearly every evening. The lawn tennis, was, during favorable days, over crowded and many had long waits. The amount received for the use of the lawn tennis courts was \$249.94 and their cost was \$351.65.

A six-foot board walk was built from Park Terrace to Russ Street with a six-foot stone sidewalk along Russ Street to Putnam Street. By a series of counting the people passing over this walk, it appears that about 4,000 persons use it daily. The number will undoubtedly increase as the sections beyond are built up.

Riverside Park

It is a much used park with a most dangerous approach over railroad tracks, which eventually will be remedied when the bridge improvements are completed. This park is located where it serves the most densely populated area of our city and accommodates what is sometimes spoken of as the "foreign element." Its record for arrests and disorder in the past exceeds that of any other park of our city. This has been entirely changed by the clearing up of the underbrush and high growth of ground plants, so that the entire territory is easily seen by the patrolman. Since then no arrests have been made and disorderly conduct has been comparatively slight. The cost of this improvement was \$987.94.

During July and August the Kindergarten was kept open forty-three days, with a total attendance of 6,821 small children, an average of 159 daily.

The school garden was carried on under adverse circumstances, but was successful. The ball diamonds were but little used.

Bushnell Park

This picture park of Hartford attracts many visitors, but for want of sufficient seats and lights is somewhat difficult to patrol and to enforce the park ordinance.

The only work of improvement was the regrading of the Asylum Street entrance in connection with the State Armory grounds, at a cost of \$141.00.

Village Street Green

At the beginning of the season this square was in a deplorable condition, a barren waste of trodden ground with a few large trees. It was regraded, flower beds planted, and some sodding done, but mainly left in gravel for paths and playgrounds, at a cost of \$121.26.

As long as the flowers remained no injury was done, but as soon as the flowering plants were removed in the fall the entire plot was run over and every vestige of grass destroyed, so that at the end of the year it was the same dreary waste that it was at the beginning, and naturally gives the impression that the work was a failure. But there is this to be said for it: of all the small squares in the city, Village Square is by far the most used, probably more than all the rest put together, and the destruction, although it shows so plainly because it is complete, is not more



VIEW IN WEST BUSHNELL PARK.

per visitor than in the other parks and squares, and if renewed each spring the cost per visitor is less than elsewhere. The opportunity for park usefulness is here very great and it seems to call for a most serious consideration.

In the remaining parks and squares only the ordinary maintenance and caretaking work has been done.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. PARKER,

Superintendent.

APPENDIX A.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Board of Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority vested in them, hereby make and ordain the following rules and regulations for the management of the parks owned by or under control of the city of Hartford. Any person who shall violate any of the following rules and regulations, "shall forfeit and pay for the use of the city treasury a fine not exceeding thirty-five dollars (\$35.00)."

It is forbidden:—1st. To enter or leave any Park, except by the regular approaches thereto; to walk upon any grass border of any flower garden, walk, or driveway; to walk among or through shrubs, flowers, or other plantings, or to cross any lawn in any Park whenever a notice shall be conspicuously posted forbidding such crossing.

2nd. To climb, or get upon any tree, statue, fountain, fence, gate, gateway, or railing in any park, or to use any structure therein in any way other than that for which it was intended.

3rd. To remove, cut, break, or otherwise injure, any tree or shrub, or any part thereof; to cut, pluck, or otherwise remove, any blossom or other part of any plant or flower in any Park.

4th. To cut, write upon, deface, defile, or otherwise injure any building, bridge, fence, statue, fountain, seat, gate, gateway, or other structure, upon any Park.

5th. To permit any dog to pass over or to stray upon any Park where sheep are pastured or kept, unless led by a cord or chain, not exceeding six (6) feet in length, or to permit any other animal to pass

over or stray upon any Park area, but this provision shall not apply to horses when ridden or driven in harness, along the Park roadways.

6th. To throw any stick, stone, or other missile on any portion of any Park.

7th. To scatter or leave upon any Park any paper, rag, garbage or other litter.

8th. To void any urine, dung or other excrement, within the limits of any Park, excepting in such place or apartment as is, or shall be, specially provided for such purpose; and in the latter case, it is forbidden to use or enter any apartment established for persons of the opposite sex exclusively.

9th. To discharge or carry firearms, firecrackers, torpedoes, or fireworks, but this prohibition shall not apply to the display of fireworks under municipal authority; to make any fire; to have any intoxicating beverage; to sell, offer, or expose for sale any goods or wares, except under a written license from the Board of Park Commissioners; to post or display any sign, placard, flag, or advertising device without such license; to solicit any subscription or contribution; to play any game of chance, or to have possession of any instrument of gambling; to make any oration, harangue, or loud outcry; to utter profane, threatening, abusive, or indecent language, or to do any obscene or indecent act; to bathe or fish; to solicit the acquaintance of, or follow, or otherwise annoy any other visitor.

10th. To drive or propel any bicycle, tricycle, automobile, or other vehicle, wheelbarrow, or handcart, on any Park, excepting on regular carriage roads; to skate or slide upon or across any walk upon any Park; or to slide or coast on any driveway.

11th. To ride or drive any horse, bicycle, automobile or other vehicle, or team, at a rate faster than six (6) miles an hour; to drive or lead any heavy team,

business wagon, or cart upon any Park driveway or carriageway, excepting upon Park business.

12th. To take or molest any bird, fish, frog, or any live animal, or bird's eggs, or in any way interfere with any bird's nest, or with any cage, box, place or enclosure for the protection of any bird, fish, or any live animal.

13th. To sleep upon, lie upon, or overturn, any seat upon any park.

14th. For any men to occupy any seat designated as reserved for women and children.

15th. To play ball or any other games in any public Park except upon such portions thereof as may be set apart for that purpose.

16th. To deface or injure any notice placed by the Park Commissioners upon any Park.

The foregoing are in addition to such prohibitions and penalties as are provided by the laws of this state and the ordinances of this city.

Board of Park Commissioners,

GEORGE A. FAIRFIELD, *President*.

Attest, FRANKLIN G. WHITMORE, *Secretary*.

Hartford, January 6, 1902.

Adopted by Board of Common Council, February 10, 1902.

Approved by Mayor, February 11, 1902.

ALEXANDER HARBISON, *Mayor*.

Attest, HENRY F. SMITH, *City Clerk*.

GENERAL STATUTES, 1888.

SEC. 1425. Every person who shall injure or destroy any tree growing on any *public square or grounds*, without the consent of the city, borough, or town, where the same is situated, or shall wilfully injure the fences or herbage of any such public square or grounds, shall be fined not more than fifty dollars.

SEC. 1426. Every person who shall wilfully injure any statue, monument, chair, or other seat, or any lamp or lamp-post, constructed or being in any *high-way, public space, or park*; or any railing or fence erected for public use, or inclosing any such space or park; or any walk or crossing for foot passengers; or any sewer, curbing, or paved gutter, shall be fined not less than ten, nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned not less than seven, nor more than thirty days, or both.

ACT OF 1885, CH. LXVIII.

[This Act simply erases the words, "less than ten, nor," and the words, "less than seven, nor," from the Section 1426, quoted above.]

GENERAL STATUTES.

SEC. 132. Any town may lay out, inclose, and improve any lands belonging to it, not in any incorporated city, for a public square or common; and may purchase any land within its limits for that purpose.

ACT OF 1897, CH. LII.

SEC. 1. No barbed wire shall be used in the construction of fences, or retained upon existing fences, connected with or enclosing the grounds of any public school, or other public building, *public park*, or cemetery in this state.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall violate the provisions of this Act shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY
OF HARTFORD TO APPOINT SPECIAL
POLICEMEN.

Passed General Assembly, January Session, A. D., 1905.

Resolved by this Assembly:

SECTION 1. That the mayor of the city of Hartford may, from time to time, upon the application of any society, association, or corporation, or upon the application of the Board of Park Commissioners, located within the said city, appoint and commission in writing as special policemen, one or more persons designated by such society, association, or corporation, or by said Board of Park Commissioners, which person or persons, having made the oath required of members of the police force of the city of Hartford, may act as policemen in and upon the buildings, grounds, and premises in charge of such society, association, or corporation, or park department, at whose instance the appointment or appointments shall be made. All appointments so made shall be revocable at the pleasure of the mayor, and such appointees shall receive no pay for their services as such special policemen except from such society, association, or corporation, or park department.

SEC. 2. Each special policeman so appointed shall, when on duty, wear in plain view a shield bearing the words "Special Policeman" and the name of the society, association, corporation, or department for which he is appointed.

SEC. 3. Each special policeman so appointed shall, in or upon the buildings, grounds, and premises in the city of Hartford in charge of the society, association, corporation, or department for which he is

appointed, have the same powers as to the maintenance of the peace, service of criminal process, and arrest of offenders as are possessed by policemen of the city of Hartford, or by constables of towns, and shall have power to bring such offenders before the proper authority.

APPENDIX B.

OFFICERS ELECTED MAY, 1907.

PRESIDENT,
PHILANDER C. ROYCE.

VICE-PRESIDENT,
GEORGE A. FAIRFIELD.

SECRETARY,
FRANKLIN G. WHITMORE.

APPENDIX C.

The following is nearly a correct list of the actual terms of service of each of the Park Commissioners. But as there were some resignations and deaths in office, and some appointments for filling unexpired or short terms, it is difficult to determine, precisely, the periods actually served by each.

*William L. Collins, 1860 to 1865; *President*.

*George Beach, 1860 to 1864; 1866 to 1869; *President*.

*James L. Howard, 1860 to 1863; 1865 to 1867; *President*.

Gurdon W. Russell, 1860 to 1862; 1880 to 1903.

*Charles F. Pond, 1860 to 1861.

*Gustavus F. Davis, 1860 to 1861.

*H. Tudor Brownell, 1861 to 1865.

*Charles H. Northam, 1862.

*Edward H. Brinley, 1863 to 1864.

*James C. Jackson, 1863 to 1868.

*Thomas Belknap, 1864 to 1868.

*George S. Lincoln, 1865 to 1870.

Samuel V. Woodruff, 1866 to 1871.

*Alpheus F. Snow, 1867 to 1871.

*Normand Smith, 1869 to 1873.

*Frederick S. Brown, 1870 to 1881; *President*.

*Edward H. Fenn, 1872 to 1881.

*Leverett Brainard, 1872 to 1876.

*Charles Dudley Warner, 1873 to 1883; 1897 to 1901.

*Abraham Hollander, 1874 to 1879.

*Stiles D. Perry, 1877 to 1882.

*Richard D. Hubbard, 1879 to 1883.

*Samuel R. McNary, 1880 to 1883; *President*.

Francis Goodwin, 1880 to the present time; *President*.

*Frank L. Howard, 1883 to 1888.

*Sherman W. Adams, 1884 to 1896; *President*.

John H. Brocklesby, 1884 to 1889.

*Joseph Hall, 1889 to 1894.

Edwin P. Parker, 1893 to 1896.

William DeLoss Love, Jr., 1894, still in office; *President*.

*Leverett Brainard, *ex-officio*, 1895 to 1896.

Charles E. Gross, 1895, still in office; *President*.

Willis I. Twitchell, 1895; *President*.

Lucius F. Robinson, 1895; *President*.

George H. Day, 1895; *President*.

Patrick Garvan, 1895; *President*.

Miles B. Preston, 1896; *ex-officio*.

*James F. Dudley, 1896 to 1897.

George A. Fairfield, 1898 to 1908; *President*.

Willie O. Burr, 1901 to 1906.

Alexander Harbison, 1900 to 1902; *ex-officio*.

Ignatius A. Sullivan, 1902; *ex-officio*.

William F. Henney, 1904; *ex-officio*.

Lewis C. Grover, 1904 to 1914; *President*.

Philander C. Royce, 1905 to 1915.

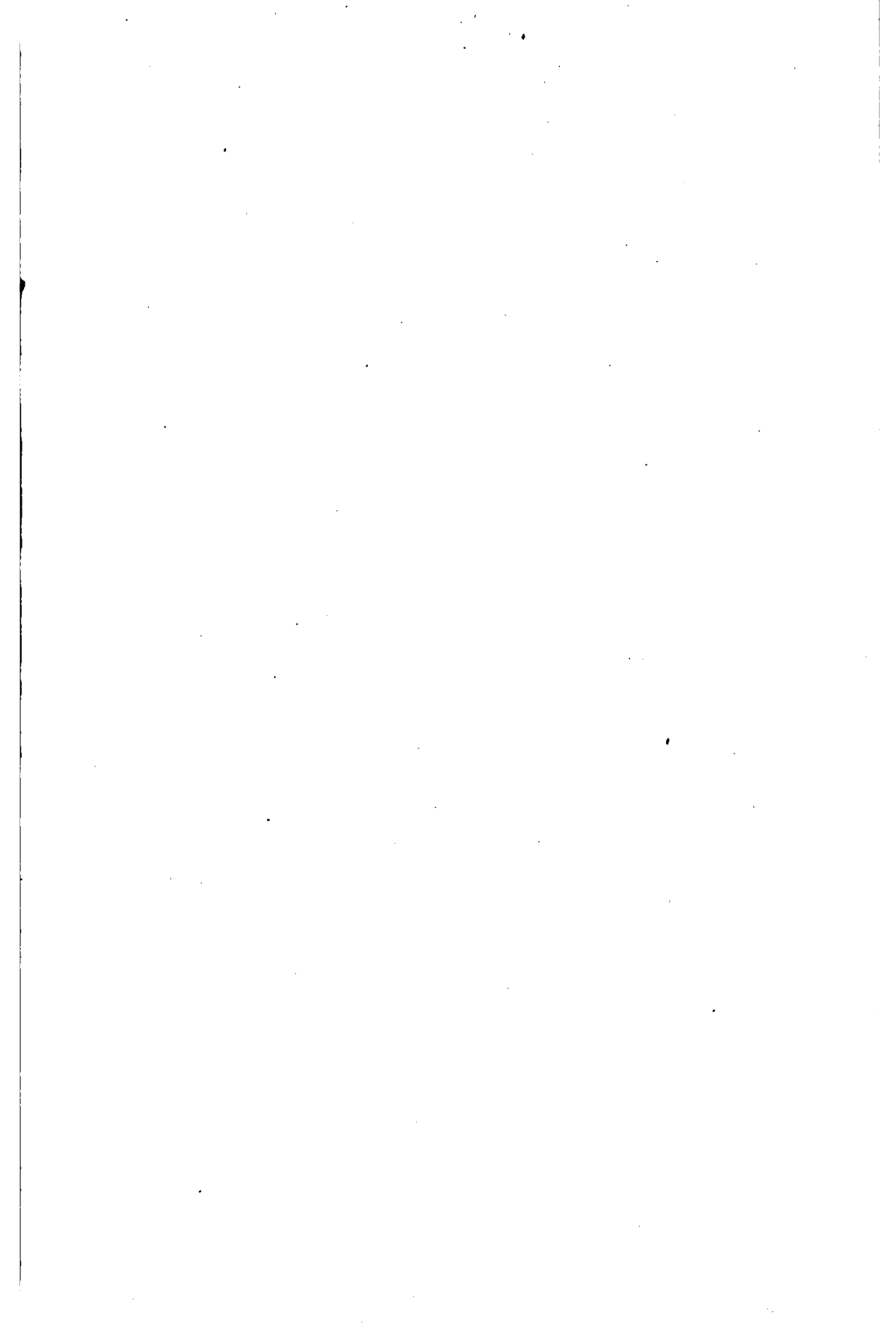
Henry Ferguson, 1903 to 1907; *President (Resigned)*.

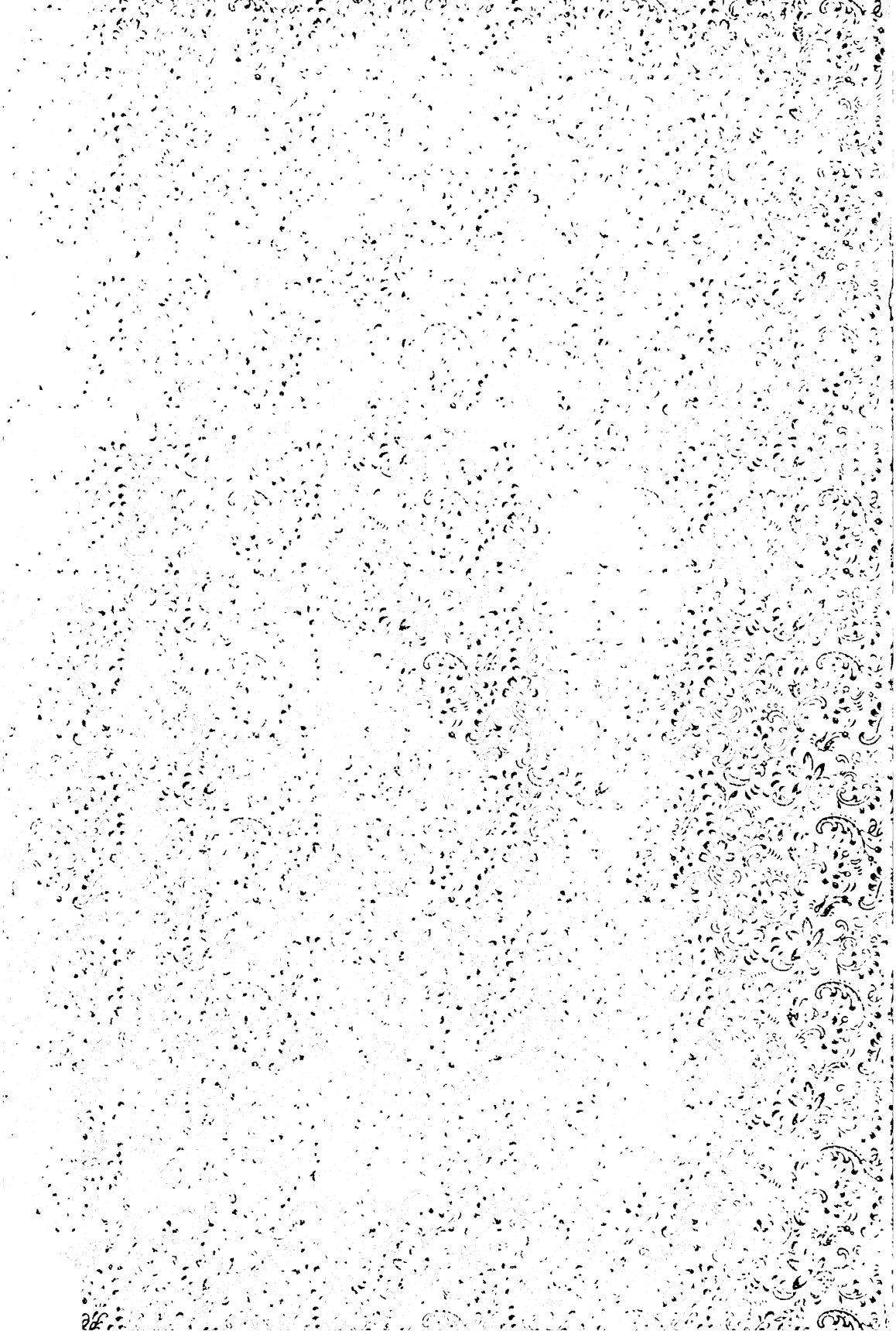
Herbert Knox Smith, 1903 to 1906.

Frank A. Hagarty, 1906 to 1916.

William A. Moore, to 1907.

* Deceased.







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